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1. The Central Quartermaster Depot (Zentralversorgungslager) of the DDR armed forces is allegedly located in Prussen (N51/F17) at the junction line for a fodder production plant (Anschlussgleis Futtermittelfabrik).

2. The following are the basic colors of insignia of rank worn by the various branches of the DDR armed forces:

a) KVP: dark green
cornflower blue
black
malina
crimson (hochrot)

b) VP-See: dark blue
silver grey

c) VP-Luft: light blue
yellow*

25X1 [redacted] dark green is for troops of the Ministry of the Interior, cornflower blue (mittelblau) for "schnelle Truppen" (fast technical troops such as engineers, raspberry for staff troops, crimson for the infantry, and silver grey for military officials of the Air Force.

3. An order for the following shoulder straps and shoulder pieces for the DDR Sea Police was placed with the V.B Band und Posamenten Fabrik, Brandenburg; the complete order was to be delivered by 15 October 1952.

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All shoulder straps of dark blue cloth

	with dark blue piping	with malina piping	with silver grey piping
a) for enlisted personnel and noncommissioned officers (Unterfuehrer)			
Design:	3,000 pair	1,000 pair	1,000 pair
	5,000 "	1,000 "	1,000 "
	2,500 "	1,000 "	1,000 "
	1,500 "	500 "	500 "
	3,000 "	1,500 "	1,000 "
	1,000 "	500 "	500 "
	1,000 "	500 "	500 "
	250 "	100 "	100 "
b) for Kommisars	"	2,000 "	1,000 "
c) for Oberraete		500 "	500 "
d) for Chefinspekteure	60 "	60 "	20 "

4. The Band und Posamenten Fabrik delivered the following uniform accessories to the Ministry of the Interior, VP-Luft, Post Office Box 01 Berlin-Johannisthal, on 9 October 1952:

a) Shoulder straps for technical sergeants (light blue cloth)	200 pair
b) Shoulder straps for noncommissioned officers	1,175 "
c) Shoulder straps for corporals (Gefreite)	1,080 "
d) Shoulder straps for enlisted personnel	1,745 "
e) Shoulder pieces for Kommissars (on light blue cloth)	480 "
f) Shoulder pieces for Oberraete (light blue cloth)	90 "
g) Collar patches for jackets (large) (light blue cloth with white edging)	1,070 "
h) Collar patches for jackets (large) (light blue cloth without edging)	1,330 "
i) General's patches for jacket	5 "
j) General's patches for coat (without edging)	5 "
k) Embroidered visors, blue-yellow	242 pair
l) Embroidered visors, blue-white	1,581 "
m) 5-mm. braid, Teonic (Teonisch), white	20[illegible] meters

5. On 4 October 1952, Oberst (fnu) Alsleben picked up the following uniform accessories for the VP-Luft:

a) Shoulder pieces for Inspekteurs (on light blue cloth)	[illegible] pair
b) Patches (Spiegel), gold embroidered with edging, for jackets	1[illegible] "
c) Patches, gold embroidered with edging, for coats	[illegible] "
d) "Schwingen" with cockades	1[illegible] each
e) Cockades (wreath of ears of corn with propeller)	10 "
f) Hat cords, gold	10 "

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6. The Band und Posamenten Fabrik delivered on an unspecified date the following insignia to the VP-Luft:

a.	Shoulder pieces for Obermaate (light blue cloth)	60 pairs
b.	Shoulder pieces for Kommissare	120 "
c.	Collar patches for jackets (large), without edging	3,700 "
d.	Collar patches for jackets (large), with yellow edging	1,000 "
e.	Shoulder straps for enlisted personnel and noncommissioned officers (light blue)	1,600 "

7. The following generals insignia and accessories were delivered to the DDR People's Army on 5 October 1952:

crimson	47 cartons**
light blue	3 "
black	1 "
medium blue	1 "
raspberry	3 "
dark blue	4 "
silver grey	1 "

By 15 October the following additional insignia and uniform accessories for generals were to have been delivered:

crimson	31 cartons**
light blue	9 "
black	4 "
medium blue	4 "
malina	9 "
dark blue	12 "
silver grey	3 "
Total	92 cartons

25X1 *[redacted] Comment: It is thought that yellow has been designated for the
25X1 VP-Luft, although confirmation is lacking.)

25X1 **[redacted] Comment: Cartons (Kartons) are specified [redacted] It is, however, possible that only one set of insignia is packed to a carton.

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